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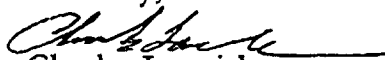
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my opinion about the recent antitrust case settlement between Microsoft and the US Department of Justice. I am glad to see Microsoft will not be broken up. That move would be detrimental to our IT industry and bad for our economy. But, I do believe that it is in the best interest of the American public to have this issue settled as soon as possible.

The terms of the settlement are fair in many ways. The fact that Microsoft is disclosing internal interfaces to competitors, designing future Windows' applications to make it easier for software developers to promote their own products, agreeing to contractual restrictions, and forming a three person party to monitor compliance with the settlement shows that Microsoft is ready taking active steps to appease all parties.

Nevertheless, our economy is in recession and our IT industry is ailing. Our country needs to end litigation against Microsoft so that they can go back to leading the IT industry in growth and raising the standards of innovation throughout the sector. Thank you for your time and I hope your office makes this settlement become a reality.

Sincerely,


Charles Loveisky
President